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## PART IV-B

Rules and Orders (Other than those published in Part I, I-A and I-L) made  
by the Government of Gujarat under the Gujarat Acts.

### AGRICULTURE, FARMERS WELFARE AND CO-OPERATION DEPARTMENT NOTIFICATION

Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar, 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2024

#### GUJARAT FISHERIES ACT, 2003.

**No. GHKH/135/FDV/102019/49/T:** The following draft of rules which is proposed to be issued under section 30 of the Gujarat Fisheries Act, 2003 (Guj. 8 of 2003) is published as required by sub-section (3) and (4) of section 30 read with sub-section (1) of section 6 of the said Act, for the information of all persons likely to be affected thereby and notice is hereby given that the said draft of rules shall be taken into consideration by the Government on or after the expiry of a period of thirty days from the date of publication of this notification in the *Official Gazette*.

Any objection or suggestion, which may be received by the Secretary (Fisheries), Agriculture, Farmers Welfare and Co-operation Department, Block no.5, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar, from any person with respect of the said draft of rules on or before the expiry of the aforesaid period shall be considered by the Government.

**DRAFT NOTIFICATION****GUJARAT FISHERIES ACT, 2003.**

**No. GHKH/135/FDV/102019/49/T:** In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 6 read with sub-section (3) and (4) of section 30 of the Gujarat Fisheries Act, 2003 (Guj. 08 of 2003), the Government of Gujarat hereby makes the following rules, further to amend the Gujarat Fisheries Rules, 2003, namely:-

1. These Rules may be called the Gujarat Fisheries (Amendment) Rules, 2024.
2. In Gujarat Fisheries Rules, 2003, (hereinafter referred to as "the said rules") in rule 2, in definitions, after (f), the following shall be inserted namely:-
  - (g) "Line fishing method" means the activity of line up fishing in a row by the fishermen using a group of more than two fishing boats.
  - (h) Light Fishing or LED Light Fishing means fishing done by using or installing or operating on surface or submerged artificial lights / LED lights (under the sea water), fish light attractors or any other light equipment with or without generators on any type of fishing vessel (craft) for any type of fishing in territorial waters.
3. In the said rules, in rule 7, after sub-rule (37), the following shall be added namely:-
  - (38) No fishing vessel shall operate beyond any area in the "No Fishing Zone" as notified by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India through order dated 4<sup>th</sup> May, 1993, vide its org no.:1-11011/6/93-ISDI(B).
  - (39) No fishing vessel shall cross the notional Indo-Pak International Maritime Boundary Line (IMBL).
  - (40) "Any person engaged in fishing activity or any fishing vessel which crosses or violates the International Maritime Boundary Line (IMBL), the owner of such fishing vessel shall be liable to fine and punishment as per the provisions of section 21 of Gujarat Fisheries Act, 2003 and not get any kind of Fisheries Department's assistance in future.
  - (41) Facility for docking (entry into the dock) of the vessel seized under sub-section (7) of section 15 of the said Act, charge per day of maintenance Rs.100 / - will be recovered from the owner of the fishing vessels by the Enforcement Officer.
  - (42) No person shall go for fishing in the fishing boat without valid Identity Cards, necessary Licences / Certificates, required for the operation of such fishing boats, issued by the Government from time to time.
  - (43) No fishing activities can be done using the "Line Fishing Method" and "Light Fishing or LED Light Fishing Method" or other unauthorized fishing method as well as by using unauthorized nets or other unauthorized devices. On violation of the rule, the owner of such fishing vessel shall be liable to fine and punishment as per the provisions of section 21 of Gujarat Fisheries Act, 2003.
4. In the said rules, in rule 8, under the heading C, Conditions for Grant of Licence, for the clause (l), the following shall be substituted namely:-
  - (1) No fishing boat shall go for fishing without Automatic Identification System (AIS) or any other tracking device, as specified by the Government, with required licenses/ certificates issued by the competent authority and the Automatic Identification System (AIS) or any other tracking device, as specified by the Government, shall be operational throughout the fishing operation.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat,

**KAMLESH MAKWANA,**

Deputy Secretary to Government.

